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SUBJECT: CENTRAL BANK ANNOUNCEMENT ON FOREIGN EXCHANGE
TRANSFERS

1. NACI TIBET, ACTING GOVERNOR OF CENTRAL BANK, ON JULY 22,
IN DISCUSSION ON TURKISH TV ON ALLEGED SLOWDOWN IN FOREIGN
EXCHANGE TRANSFERS ADMITTED THAT THIS HAD OCCURRED. TIBET
SAID TRANSFERS WERE DELAYED TO MAINTAIN A CERTAIN FOREIGN
EXCHANGE LEVEL DURING APRIL - SEPTEMBER WHEN EXPORT EARNINGS
ARE NORMALLY DOWN, BUT PROMISED UTMOST CARE WOULD BE TAKEN
IN SPEEDING UP TRANSFERS IN THE FUTURE. FOREIGN EXCHANGE
RESERVES HAVE REMAINED RELATIVELY STABLE SINCE APRIL, 1975 AND
WERE \$1.061 BILLION ON JULY 11.

2. ON SUBJECT OF SLOWDOWN IN GRANTING IMPORT LICENSES AND
OPENING LETTERS OF CREDIT TO CONSERVE FOREIGN EXCHANGE, TIBET
SAID CENTRAL BANK HAD REACHED AGREEMENT WITH FINANCE MINISTRY
TO FACILITATE PROMPT PAYMENT FOR FOLLOWING ITEMS: PHARMACEUTI-
CALS, PEST CONTROLLED DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND RAW MATERIALS FOR
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FERTILIZERS, RAW MATERIALS FOR STEEL MILLS, MACHINERY FOR

IMPORTANT INVESTMENT PROJECTS, LOAN REPAYMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL
ESTABLISHMENTS AND BANK, MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE
IRAQ-TURKISH PIPELINE, LIVESTOCK, CERTAIN CONSUMER GOODS SUCH
AS LPG AND SUGAR, AND STATE DEBT REPAYMENTS. PRESUMABLY
FOREIGN EXCHANGE FOR OTHER IMPORTS WILL BE PROVIDED ON NORMAL
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